well as rural areas as compared to that of 1993-94. Details of percentage of population Below Poverty Line in 1993-94 and 1999-2000 are as under:—

Year	Poverty Ratio Rural (%)	Poverty Ratio Urban (%)
1993-34	37.3	32.4
1999-2000	27.1	23.6
Difference	10.2	8.8

(b)and(c) Do not arise.

Construction of houses under VAAY in Andhra Pradesh

3232. SHRI RUMANDLA RAAMACHANDRAYYA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a; whether as many as 5,600 houses are likely to be constructed in Hyderabad district during the year 2002-2003 under Valmiki-Ambedkar Awas Yojana;

(b) if so, whether Government have also decided to construct 500 houses in each municipality in Ranga Reddy district under the same scheme;

(c) if so, the latest position in this regard; and

(d) by when, they are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI PON RADHAKRISHNAN): (a) to (c) Central subsidy amounting to Rs. 1298.70 lakhs and Rs. 492.30 lakhs for the construction of 4329 and 1641 houses in Hyderabad and Ranga Reddy Districts respectively had been released during the year 2002-2003 under Valmiki-Ambedkar Awas Yojana.

(d) The houses sanctioned during 2002-2003 in these Districts are likely to be completed by November, 2003 as reported by Housing & Urban Development Corporation Ltd. (HUDCO).